

# GEORGIA FARM REPORT



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Milk Production & Income			

## EGGS IN INCUBATORS--APRIL 1, 2003-2004, UNITED STATES

Item	2003	2004	% of Year Ago
	--Thousands--		--Percent--
Chickens, Egg Type	34,880	33,872	97
Chickens, Broiler Type	638,507	652,526	102
Turkeys, All Breeds	31,951	30,338	95

[Results from the Monthly Chicken and Egg Report and the Monthly Turkey Hatchery Report].

## POULTRY HATCHING AND PLACEMENT--MARCH 2003-2004

Item	2003	2004	% of year ago	January thru March 2003	January thru March 2004	% of year ago
	--Thousands--		--Percent--	--Thousands--		--Percent--
<b>Pullet Chicks Placed Domestic (U.S.)</b>						
1/						
Broiler Type	7,038	6,815	97	19,966	20,966	105
Egg Type	319	401	126	754	850	113
<b>Chicks Hatched - Broiler Type</b>						
Georgia	115,864	121,429	105	329,463	354,770	108
United States	774,354	791,149	102	2,227,577	2,293,055	103
<b>Chicks Hatched - Egg Type</b>						
Georgia	2,450	2,385	97	7,179	7,231	101
United States	36,775	37,530	102	100,806	104,958	104
<b>Turkeys Poults Placed</b>						
United States	24,902	23,908	96	168,569 2/	160,641 3/	95

[Results from the Monthly Chicken and Egg Report and the Monthly Turkey Hatchery Report]. 1/ Domestic placements as reported by leading breeders includes expected pullet replacements from eggs sold during the preceding month at the rate of 125 pullet chicks per 30 dozen case of eggs. 2/ Turkey poults placed September 2001-October 2002. 3/ Turkey poults placed September 2002-October 2003.

## NUMBER OF LAYERS AND EGG PRODUCTION--DURING MARCH 2003-2004 1/2/

	Number of Layers		Eggs per 100 Layers		Total Eggs Produced	
	2003	2004	2003	2004	2003	2004
	--Thousands--		--Number--		--Millions--	
<b>GEORGIA</b>						
Hatching	9,347	9,123	1,862	1,885	174	172
Table	11,387	11,387	2,275	2,275	259	259
Total Georgia	20,734	20,510	2,088	2,101	433	431
<b>30 STATES</b>						
Hatching	55,082	54,228	1,850	1,840	1,019	998
Table	262,072	263,713	2,254	2,287	5,907	6,030
Total 30 States	317,154	317,941	2,184	2,210	6,926	7,028
<b>UNITED STATES</b>						
Hatching	59,976	59,171	1,847	1,837	1,108	1,087
Table	279,909	281,664	2,256	2,288	6,316	6,444
Total U.S.	339,885	340,835	2,184	2,209	7,424	7,530

[Results from the Monthly Chicken and Egg Report]. 1/ 2003 Revised. 2/ Totals may not add due to rounding.

**POULTRY--VALUE OF PRODUCTION, GEORGIA, 1998-2003 1/**

	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
--Thousand Dollars--						
Commercial Broilers	2,386,382	2,293,445	2,029,005	2,432,235	1,935,750	2,142,850
Mature Chickens,						
Hatching Egg Flocks	18,106	16,940	20,898	11,380	10,329	7,713
Table Egg Flocks	337	140	188	104	93	93
All Chickens,						
Including Commercial Broilers	2,404,825	2,310,525	2,050,091	2,443,719	1,946,172	2,150,656
Eggs	375,907	379,142	369,913	367,887	355,968	395,769
Turkeys 2/						
All Poultry	2,780,732	2,689,667	2,420,004	2,811,606	2,302,140	2,546,425

1/ The production year begins Dec 1 previous year and ends Nov 30 current year, except turkeys based on Sep 1 - Aug 31 hatch. 2/ Discontinued in 1998.

**COMMERCIAL POULTRY SLAUGHTER 1/--FEBRUARY AND MARCH 2004**

Item	Feb	Mar	% of Last Month	January to Date
	--Thousands--		--Percent--	--Thousands--
Young Chickens				
Georgia	96,228	106,673	111	307,056
United States	647,799	766,867	118	2,137,252
Mature Chickens				
Light Type, U.S.	5,249	6,148	117	17,235
Heavy Type, U.S.	4,506	6,500	144	16,493
Total U.S.	9,755	12,648	130	33,728
Percent Condemned Young Chickens	--Percent--			--Percent--
Georgia	1.10	1.20		1.01
United States	1.32	1.12		1.12

1/ Federally inspected slaughter data as collected by Meat and Poultry Inspection Program.

**PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS--APRIL 15, 2004**

Commodity	Price per Unit	Apr 2003	Georgia Mar 2004	Apr 15, 2004	Apr 2003	United States Mar 2004	Apr 15, 2004
Cotton	¢/Lb	44.10	62.20	62.50 1/	45.40	59.40	59.50 1/
Peanuts, In-Shell	¢/Lb	2/	17.20	2/	18.40	18.50	17.60
Calves	¢/Lb	92.70	113.00	114.00	98.90	115.00	116.00
Beef Cattle 3/	¢/Lb	51.80	63.70	62.50	74.50	83.40	85.30
Cows 4/	¢/Lb	39.90	47.10	47.60	40.20	46.60	49.00
Steers & Heifers	¢/Lb	73.90	88.60	89.00	78.80	87.90	89.70

[Results from the Monthly Prices Received by Farmers]. 1/ Based on sales during the first half of the month. 2/ Insufficient sales to establish a price. 3/ "Cows" and "Steers" and "Heifers" combined. 4/ Beef cows and cull dairy cows sold for slaughter.

**INDEX NUMBERS, UNITED STATES**

	2003		2004	
	Mar	Apr	Mar	Apr
<b>UNITED STATES (1990-92= 100)</b>				
Prices Received	99	101	121	124
Prices Paid	128	128	133	133
Ratio 1/	77	79	91	93

[Results from the Monthly Prices Received by Farmers]. 1/ Ratio of index of prices received by farmers to index of prices paid.

**FEED--PRICES PAID, APRIL 2004**

Commodity	Price per Unit	2002	Southeast 2003	2004	2002	United States 2003	2004
Cottonseed Meal, 41%	\$/Cwt	14.70	15.10	17.00	15.80	16.60	18.40
Soybean Meal, 44%	\$/Cwt	16.90	16.90	22.10	13.50	14.50	19.60
Corn Meal	\$/Cwt	9.33	10.20	11.10	8.06	9.90	9.84
Broiler Grower	\$/Ton	158.00	191.00	246.00	259.00	234.00	278.00
Chick Starter	\$/Ton	206.00	195.00	273.00	240.00	241.00	299.00
Laying Feed	\$/Ton	199.00	176.00	227.00	225.00	232.00	249.00
Dairy Conct., 32-38%	\$/Ton	238.00	237.00	280.00	298.00	311.00	381.00
Beef Cattle Conct., 32%-36%	\$/Ton	277.00	290.00	274.00	277.00	290.00	342.00

[Results from Prices Paid by Farmers]. 1/ Southeast: AL, FL, GA, and SC.

**FARM WAGE RATES--APRIL 6-12, 2003, AND APRIL 11-17, 2004, BY REGION AND UNITED STATES 1/**

Region	Wage Rates for All Hired Workers		Type of Hired Worker					
	2003	2004	Field 2003	Field 2004	Livestock 2003	Livestock 2004	Field and Livestock 2003	Field and Livestock 2004
--Dollars per Hour--								
<b>Southeast 2/</b>	<b>8.71</b>	<b>8.42</b>	<b>7.58</b>	<b>7.88</b>	<b>8.78</b>	<b>8.71</b>	<b>8.07</b>	<b>8.12</b>
<b>US 3/</b>	<b>9.16</b>	<b>9.22</b>	<b>8.40</b>	<b>8.46</b>	<b>8.75</b>	<b>8.95</b>	<b>8.49</b>	<b>8.58</b>

See footnotes below.

**NUMBER OF HIRED WORKERS ON FARMS AND HOURS WORKED FOR THE WEEK APRIL 6-12, 2003, AND APRIL 6-12, 2004, BY REGION AND UNITED STATES 1/**

Region	Hired Workers				Expected to be Employed			
	Number 2003	Number 2004	Hours Worked 2003	Hours Worked 2004	150 Days or More 2003	150 Days or More 2004	149 Days or Less 2003	149 Days or Less 2004
--1,000--      --Hours per Week--      --1,000--								
<b>Southeast 2/</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>37.0</b>	<b>37.1</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>US 3/</b>	<b>781</b>	<b>825</b>	<b>40.1</b>	<b>40.7</b>	<b>619</b>	<b>648</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>177</b>

[Results from the Agricultural Labor Survey]. 1/ Excludes agricultural service workers. 2/ Southeast: AL, GA, SC. 3/ Excludes AK.

**STOCKS OF PEANUTS AND SPECIFIED PRODUCTS AT MONTH'S END--2004 1/**

Month Ending	Farmer Stocks	Shelled Peanuts 2/	Roasting Stock (In Shell)	Farmer Stock Equivalent Shelled Peanuts	Total 3/
--Thousand Pounds--					
Mar	1,052,320	614,710	69,229	817,564	1,939,113

[Results from the Peanut Stocks and Processing Report]. 1/ Excludes stocks on farms. Includes stocks owned by or held for account of CCC in commercial storages. Farmer stock on net weight basis. 2/ Includes shelled edible grades, shelled oil stock, and shelled seed (untreated). 3/ Actual farmer stock, plus roasting stock, plus shelled peanuts x 1.33.

**WINTER WHEAT, 2003-2004**

State	Area Harvested 2003	Area Harvested 2004	Yield 2003	Yield 2004	Production 2003	Production 2004
--1000 Acres--      --Bushels--      --1,000 Bushels--						
<b>GA</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>46.0</b>	<b>40.0</b>	<b>10,580</b>	<b>8,000</b>
<b>US</b>	<b>36,541</b>	<b>35,082</b>	<b>46.7</b>	<b>44.2</b>	<b>1,707,069</b>	<b>1,550,395</b>

[Results based on the May Yield Survey].

**HAY STOCKS ON FARMS, 2001-2004**

State	2001	December 1 2002	2003	2002	May 1 2003	2004
--1,000 Tons--						
<b>GA</b>	<b>1,599</b>	<b>1,295</b>	<b>1,494</b>	<b>350</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>342</b>
<b>US</b>	<b>110,384</b>	<b>102,978</b>	<b>110,752</b>	<b>22,458</b>	<b>22,013</b>	<b>25,865</b>

[Results based on the May Yield Survey].

**UPLAND COTTON--ACREAGE, YIELD, AND PRODUCTION, 2003**

State	Planted	Harvested	Yield	Production in 480-Lb. Net Weight Bales
--1,000 Acres--      --Pounds--      --1,000 Bales--				
<b>GA</b>	<b>1,300.0</b>	<b>1,290.0</b>	<b>785</b>	<b>2,110.0</b>
<b>US</b>	<b>13,301.0</b>	<b>11,826.0</b>	<b>723</b>	<b>17,822.9</b>

**COTTONSEED--PRODUCTION AND FARM DISPOSITION, 2003**

State	Production	Farm Disposition Sales to Oil Mills	Other 1/	Seed for Planting 2/
--1,000 Tons--				
<b>GA</b>	<b>732.0</b>	<b>405.0</b>	<b>327.0</b>	<b>16.0</b>
<b>US</b>	<b>6,664.6</b>	<b>3,383.6</b>	<b>3,281.0</b>	<b>143.9</b>

1/ Includes planting seed, feed, exports, inter-farm sales, shrinkage, loss, and other uses. 2/ Included in "other" farm disposition. Planting seed from previous year's crop.

**COTTON GINNINGS: EQUIVALENT 480-POUND BALES GINNED, CROP YEARS 2002-2003**

Type and State	2002	2003
Upland <b>GA</b>	<b>1,595,400</b>	<b>2,106,050</b>
All <b>US</b>	<b>17,205,450</b>	<b>18,240,800</b>

**ALL TOBACCO--ACREAGE, YIELD, PRODUCTION AND VALUE OF PRODUCTION 2003 1/**

State	Area Harvested	Yield	Production	Price per Pound	Value of Production
	--Acres--	--Pounds--	--1,000 Pounds--	--Dollars--	--1,000 Dollars--
<b>GA</b>	<b>27,000</b>	<b>2,200</b>	<b>59,400</b>	<b>1.855</b>	<b>110,187</b>
US	411,150	1,952	802,654	1.961 2/	1,574,232 2/

1/ 2002 and 2003 revised. 2/ Includes estimated 2003 value of production for CT and MA type 61. Used 2002 CT and MA type 61 price to compute the 2003 value of production.

**MILK--PRODUCTION AND INCOME, 2002 1/-2003 2/**

Item	Unit	Georgia		United States	
		2002	2003	2002	2003
Number of Milk Cows 3/	Thous Head	85	85	9,139	9,084
Milk Production per Cow	Pounds	17,294	16,988	18,608	18,749
Total Milk Production	Mil Lbs	1,470	1,444	170,063	170,312
Cash Receipts	Mil Dol	192.7	192.0	20,582.2	21,227.7
Value of Home Consumption 4/	Mil Dol	0.1	0.1	19.8	19.3
Gross Income 5/	Mil Dol	192.9	192.2	20,602.1	21,247.0

[Results from the Milk Production Report]. 1/ 2001 revised. 2/ May not add due to rounding. 3/ Average number during year, excluding heifers not yet fresh. 4/ Valued at averaged returns per 100 pounds of milk in combined marketings of milk and cream. 5/ Cash receipts from marketings of milk and cream plus value of milk used for home consumption.

**CATTLE--PRODUCTION AND INCOME, 2002-2003**

	Production 1/	Marketings 2/	Average Price per 100 Pounds Cattle	Value of Production	Cash Receipts 3/	Value of Home Consumption	Gross Income
	--Thousand Pounds--		--Dollars--		--Thousand Dollars--		
2002 5/							
<b>GA</b>	<b>465,041</b>	<b>455,090</b>	<b>53.60</b>	<b>95.80</b>	<b>263,097</b>	<b>264,214</b>	<b>3,139</b>
US	42,384,722	56,072,764	49.20	87.00	27,083,342	38,048,819	334,880
2003							
<b>GA</b>	<b>448,139</b>	<b>519,990</b>	<b>53.60</b>	<b>95.80</b>	<b>283,067</b>	<b>328,798</b>	<b>3,626</b>
US	42,243,717	56,765,518	79.70	102.00	32,167,511	45,094,883	370,533

[Results published in the Meat Animals Production, Disposition, and Income 2002 Summary]. 1/ Adjustments made for changes in inventory and for inshipments. 2/ Excludes custom slaughter for use on farms where produced and interfarm sales within the State. 3/ Receipts from marketings and sale of farm slaughter. 5/ 2002 revised.

**HOGS--PRODUCTION AND INCOME, 2003**

	Production 1/	Marketings 2/	Average Price per 100 Pounds	Value of Production 3/	Cash Receipts 3/4/	Value of Home Consumption	Gross Income
	--Thousand Pounds--		--Dollars--		--Thousand Dollars--		
2002							
<b>GA</b>	<b>161,852</b>	<b>163,081</b>	<b>33.20</b>	<b>57,188</b>	<b>58,824</b>	<b>345</b>	<b>59,169</b>
US	26,274,153	27,309,263	33.40	8,690,923	9,602,109	25,525	9,627,634
2003							
<b>GA</b>	<b>155,543</b>	<b>169,916</b>	<b>36.40</b>	<b>58,505</b>	<b>68,834</b>	<b>369</b>	<b>69,203</b>
US	26,333,873	27,216,546	37.20	9,729,171	10,629,006	27,444	10,656,450

[Results published in the Meat Animals Production, Disposition, and Income 2002 Summary]. 1/ Adjustments made for changes in inventory and for inshipments. 2/ Excludes custom slaughter for use on farms where produced and interfarm sales within the State. 3/ Includes allowance for higher average price of State inshipments and outshipments of feeder pigs. 4/ Receipts from marketings and sale of farm slaughter. 5/ 2002 revised.